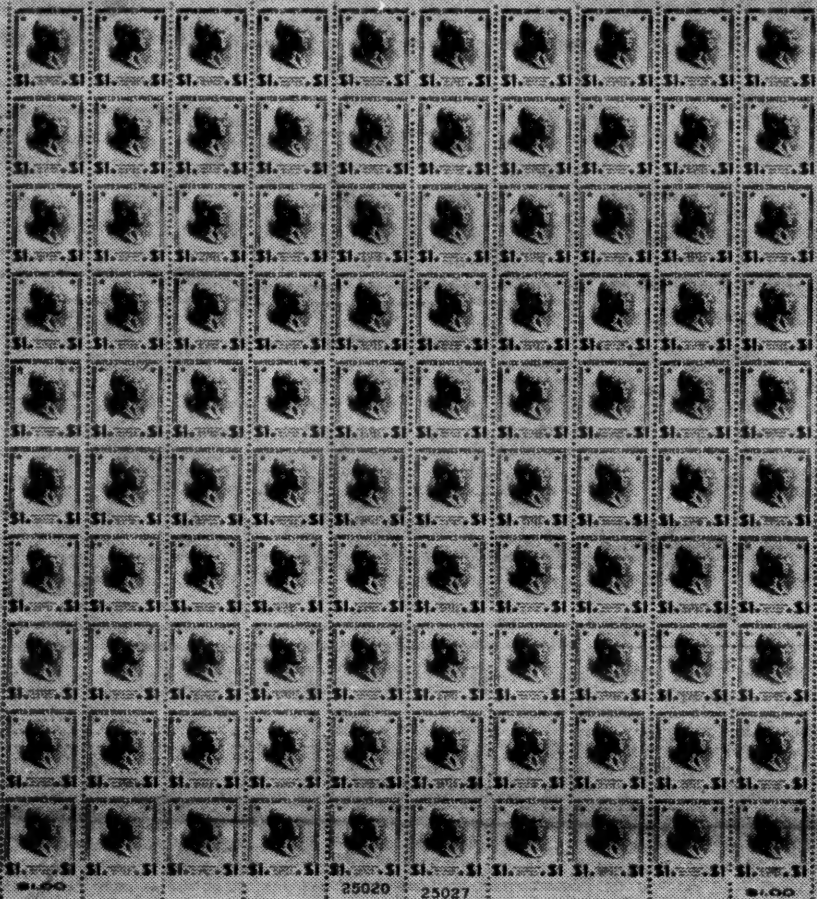


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IMPERF HORIZONTALLY \$1 WOODROW WILSON. When this same design was printed on the flat presses in sheets of 100 subjects it was found in the same condition — without the rows of horizontal perforations. As the plate numbers of this one will indicate, Nos. 25020 and 25027, it is a pane from a rotary press printing which kind are from 400 subject plates. To date this is the only one of the rotary production so known, while there were at least two of the flat. This piece is being held by Ralph Hoffman, 439 Race St., Cincinnati 2, Ohio.

Pacific Steam Navigation Company's Postage Stamps, The Originals And Reprints

J. F. McGee

The ships of this British company operated along the western coast of South America. Obviously the directors decided to add a private postal service in connection with their freight and passenger business, for a set of two special postage stamps was ordered from Perkins, Bacon & Co., London.

I do not know why the plan was abandoned. Maybe the governments of Chile, Peru and Ecuador had protested. But it was more likely it was the British government which objected to this private postal enterprise being put into operation.

The British government at the time maintained postal agencies in all of its consulates in the more important cities of these South American republics, handling practically all of the mail destined for foreign countries, especially that for Great Britain.

Later on, and continuing until these South American republics joined the Universal Postal Union, these postal agencies used the regular British postage stamps. These were overprinted with the official number that identified that particular agency.

If you collect the stamps of any of these three countries, here are the names of the cities and the British postal agency number of that place:

In Chile—Valparaiso C30; Calders C37; Cobija C39; Coquimbo C40;

In Peru—Arica C36; Iquique D87; Callao C38; Islay C42; Paila C45 and Pisco D74.

In Ecuador—Guayaquil C41.

Colombia had four of these British postal agencies, but they were on or near the Gulf coast. And I would not be surprised to learn that the "P.S.N.C." ships made regular calls at the Mexican port of Acapulco, and even at San Francisco, Calif.

A government postal service was started in Peru as early as 1772. The use of postage stamps to prepay mail was suggested by the director of posts in March 1851, and was sanctioned by the government. However the decree authorizing them was not forthcoming until October 1857.

The navigation company had received its two postage stamps but had never put them into use. The company now offered them to Peru to try out the experiment of prepaying postage on mail matter. The offer was accepted and the stamps put on sale on December 1, 1857 at Lima, Callao and Chorrillao for a period of three months. One report states that at the end of the experi-

ment the remainder were destroyed by burning them, which evidently was true.



One of the "P.S.N.C." stamps is illustrated and I shall not go into details describing the design. The stamps are finely engraved and imperforate. The main subject is a combination of a steam and sailing ship, it having tall masts, in case of a failure of the engine. The original issue is on a coarse bluish paper. They are:

1 Real, 1/2 Ounce, ship pointed to the left, in blue.

2 Reales, 1 Ounce, ship pointed to the right, in red.

The "Metropolitan Philatelist", New York, in its February 1891 number lists these varieties—varieties in the reprints.

Issued in 1858:

1 Real, blue on bluish white paper.

2 Reales, red brown on the same paper.

In 1859:

1 Real in carmine on white laid paper.

2 Reales in blue on the same paper.

Issues on white wove paper, date unknown:

1 Real in blue, carmine, yellow and green.

2 Reales in blue, carmine, yellow, green and brown.

It was once believed that all of these latter types had been used by the "P.S.N.C." itself. The reason was that many of the stamp dealers in Europe had reported (Continued on Page 11)

Building Topical Chapter At Houston

Topical stamp collectors in and around Houston, Texas will meet on the evening of January 12 at the

Palmer Memorial Church for the purpose of forming a branch chapter of the American Topical Association. Grace M. Shepherd is acting chairman of the local chapter-formation committee; any local

collectors interested in membership, or in obtaining other information about the A.T.A., can write to her at 322 Hathaway, Houston 6, Texas.

According to new A.T.A. president Allyn H. Wright, this is just the beginning of the Association's drive to form many new chapters in order to better serve topical collectors throughout the country. Those interested in the formation of a chapter in their respective communities, can contact Harvey Johnson, 111 Prospect St., Elmhurst, Ill.

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BUREAU REPORT FOR OCTOBER

Other than a couple of plates for the printing of the 25c airmail stamp, activity at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing was confined to the regular issues. The numbers assigned to plates for the printing of stamps, in October, are:—

Liberty 3c regular, 400 subject plates, numbered 25279-80; 25285-6-7-8; 25292-3-4.

Liberty 1c regular, 400 subject plates, numbered 25281-2.

Liberty 2c regular, 400 subject plates, numbered 25283-4; 25290-1.

Liberty 6c regular, 100 subject plate, numbered 25289. (This plate was used for a demonstration of printing at the ASDA National Postage Stamp Show in New York City, November 18 to 21. Stamps produced from this plate were returned to the Bureau where they were destroyed).

Ten new plates were sent to press for the first time in October. These were:

Liberty 3c coil, 170 subject plates, numbered 25226-7.

Liberty 3c regular, 400 subject plates, numbered 25236; 25259.

Liberty 6c regular, 400 subject plates, numbered 25191-2.

Liberty 50c regular, 400 subject plates, numbered 25237-8.

Airmail 25c (1947 series), 200 subject plates, numbered 23671-2.

Several of the plates of the new Liberty series were cancelled from further use in October. All of them gave sufficient impressions so that no scarcity should result. The Special Handling plate listed gave 43,821 impressions.

25145-6; 25063-4—Liberty 3c coil.

19555—Special Handling 10c, flat plate.

25149-50; 25134; 25144—Liberty 2c regular.

BUREAU REPORT FOR NOVEMBER

In the Post Office Department's report of plate activity at the Bureau in November are the numbers assigned to the first stamp to appear in 1956, the Liberty 7c (Woodrow Wilson) which has a first day of issue January 10. Also revealed are the plate numbers of the Mellon commems of December 20. The following are the numbers assigned to plates during the month of November:—

Liberty 3c regular, 400 subject plates, numbered 25295-6-7-8; 25306-7-8; 25311-2.

Liberty 7c regular, 400 subject plates, numbered 25299-300; 25304-5; 25309-10; 25313-4.

Mellon 3c commem, 280 subject plates, numbered 25301-2-3.

In November the following plates were sent to press and printed from for the first time:—

Liberty 1c regular, 400 subject plates, numbered 25281-2.

Liberty 3c coil, 170 subject plates, numbered 25224, 25228.

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Airmail 15c (1947 series), 200 subject plates, numbered 24584-5.

Six plates were removed from further use at the Bureau in October. Impressions on these ran from over 700,000 to near a million and a half, quantities which allowed for no scarcities.

25073-74—Liberty 3c regular.

24980-81—Liberty 3c booklet.

25052-53—Liberty 3c coil.

Ryukyus To Have Dance On Stamps

Probably the first postage stamp from the Ryukyu Islands in 1956 will be a yellow green marking Arbor Week. It will have a day of release on February 18. A 3Y in February of 1951 was for a similar event, Reforestation Week.

Coming at unannounced dates are a 5y in dark blue which pictures an Okinawan girl doing the "Willow Dance". An 8y purple will also show an Okinawan girl in native costume doing a dance—the Munjuru or "Straw Hat Dance".

On a 14Y dark brown one will see a representation of the Nidote-kito Dance.

This one originated in Okinawa and is based upon one of the most famous episodes of chivalry and romance in Okinawan history, the Amawari rebellion during the 14th century.

The Lord of Yomitan, Gosamaru, learned that the Lord of Katsuren, Amawari, was plotting against King Sho-Taikyū and constructed Nakagusuku Castle, the ruins of which are still standing, to defend the king. However, Amawari slipped by Nakagusuku at night and

went to the king at Shuri. There he craftily gained the king's favor, even married the king's daughter who was the granddaughter of Gosamaru, and convinced the king that Gosamaru was planning to overthrow the kingdom.

Thereupon, the king provided Amawari with an army to attack and destroy Nakagusuku Castle. As they approached by night, runners brought the news that it was the king's army. Gosamaru refused to resist and killed his wife, his two eldest sons, and then himself, allowing his youngest son, a mere child, to be carried to safety by his nurse.

Amawari destroyed the castle, killed all the retainers and proceeded to Katsuren to raise new forces to carry out his original plot against the king. His wife, dismayed by her traitorous husband, secretly fled to the king, forewarned him and told the king of the loyalty of Gosamaru. When Amawari approached Shuri Castle with his army, he was driven back to Katsuren and later killed.

In the meantime, the nurse fled south to Uansan Castle where she found refuge for herself and the surviving son of Gosamaru. After the son grew up, he left Uansan

Castle to seek revenge for the murder of his father. In order not to be recognized in his search, he carried a fan which he held in front of his face and looked through a hole cut for that purpose.

This stamp shows a male dancer in warrior costume of that day and carrying the fan as the son of Gosamaru had done during his quest for revenge.

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#357 35m	.10	#362l 65m	1.00	#390 80m	.15	#405 80m	.15
#358 40m	.10	#362m 70m	1.00	#391 90m	.15	#406 90m	.15
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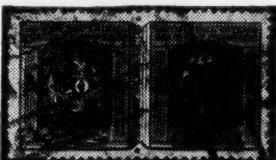
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Ostrow Reports Unknown Revenues

Two hitherto unchronicled and unknown revenues are reported by P. Ostrow, of Burlington, Vt.



The first is a 10 Lire "Administrative Acts" (Concessioni Governative Atti Amministrativi) Revenue, overprinted AMG-VG. The De Magistris Revenue catalog lists a 5L olive and a 20L claret with this overprint (Nos. 16 and 17), but not the 10L. Less than ten copies are known to date.



The second is a 30c brown General revenue (Imposta sull'Entrata Industriale e Commercio). The design is similar to De Magistris Nos. 136-139, but with handstamped AMG-FTT overprint. This is a double-type stamp, with design consisting of a numeral of value for the left-hand stamp and an "Italia" head on the right. De Magistris does not list the 30c value with Trieste overprint at all.

World's Fauna On Stamps Cataloged

Animals, birds, bugs and such other fauna as might be pictured on the world's postage stamps are the subject dealt with in a Catalog of Fauna on Postage Stamps produced (this is the first edition) by Jose M. Vidal Torrens of Barcelona, Spain.

The catalog is available from the U. S. agent, Jacob Habib, 154 Nassau St., New York 38, N. Y. at 75c postpaid.

The listing seems to be rather comprehensive and confined to just designs in which the animal, fish, et al is seen prominently in the stamp picture. Language of the text is Spanish. Where the subject is not shown in the many illustrations it is listed.

Users of this reference book should find little difficulty in translating the Torrens catalog numbers to Scott, Minkus or other numbers.

Norway Releases Regulars, Officials

To meet new postal rates caused by certain increases in fees for service, the Postal Administration of Norway will release, at an unannounced date, two new regulars. Increases became effective January 1.

There will be a 35 ore red and a 65 ore blue in the current King Haakon VII design, Scott type A74. Printing is by photogravure by Emil Moestue A/S of Oslo in sheets of 100 subjects on paper without watermark.

Issued are a pair of Official stamps in the new "Off. Sak." design. Denominations and colors are 150 brown and 350 red.

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Other officers of the Suburban family are vice president R. Hugh Trask; treasurer Lyle Kaufman; secretary J. Eugene Baker.

Meetings are on the second and fourth Wednesdays at the Hinsdale Community House, Hinsdale, Ill. Visitors are welcome.

Jugoslavian Stamp Symbolizes Peace

A stamp which the Jugoslavian Postal Administration claims was issued to symbolize that nation's activities in behalf of world peace had a release date November 29.

BELGIUM

	Mint		Mint
139	.04	B214/30	1.10
140/42	.10	B221	.40
143	.08	B222/24	.52
144/61	1.25	B225/32	1.20
162/69	1.40	B233/40	1.15
170	.25	B241/48	3.20
171a	.65	B249	.25
172/84	3.85	B250/55	2.45
185/90	3.00	B256/63	1.40
191/97	.25	B264/72	.35
198/211	1.30	B273/78	.60
216/17	.10	B279/80	.60
222/24	.95	B281/82	.65
240/30	.40	B283/308	.35
251/53	1.90	B302A	.28
257	.05	B305/14	.30
258/61	.60	B315/16	.45
262/64	.18	B317/18	.35
283/95	.05	B319/27	.35
296	1.10	B331	.85
297/300	.28	B332/41	.30
301/05	.28	B342/43	.32
306/40	2.60	B344/45	.65
345/46	.06	B346/53	.30
349/51	.28	B354/59	.40
354/56	.27	B360/67	.45
369/73	.55	B368/69	.55
373/81	1.05	B370/75	.38
382	.05	B378/84	.45
383	.05	B385/92	.28
385	.08	B395/98	.45
388/99	.22	B399/401	.45
422/24	.22	B408/16	.45
427/29	.22	B417/25	1.25
432/31	.22	B420/31	1.05
B45/50	.30	B432/36	1.30
B51	.10	B442/46	1.30
B52	.18	B447/50	.75
B53/55	.10	B451/54	.75
B56/58	.50	B456/58	.45
B59/63	.45	B469	2.50
B64/68	.45	B460/61	1.35
B69/77	3.85	B462/66	1.70
B78/83	1.60	B477/79	.55
B83/88	1.90	B482/84	.65
B99/105	2.40	B495/97	.30
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B179	.90	C13/14	.40
B180/87	.50	C81/2	.98
B188	.15	C83	.20
B189/96	.45	C87/93	.35
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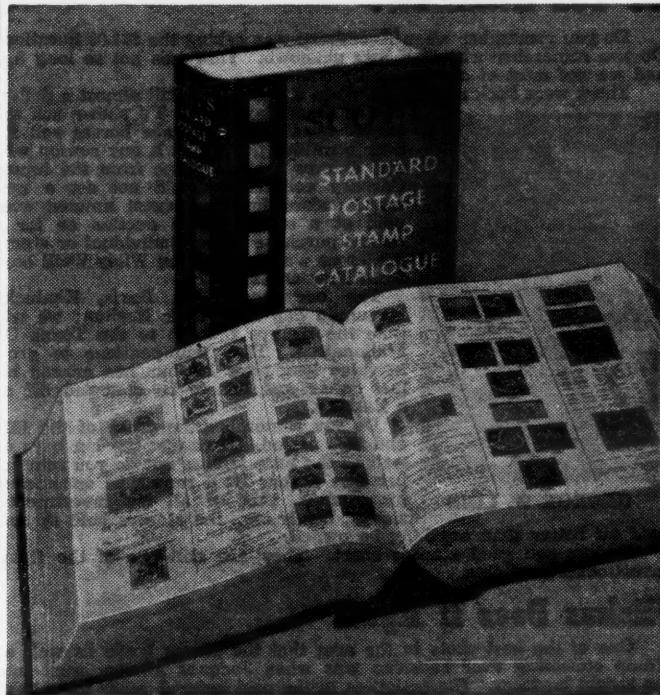


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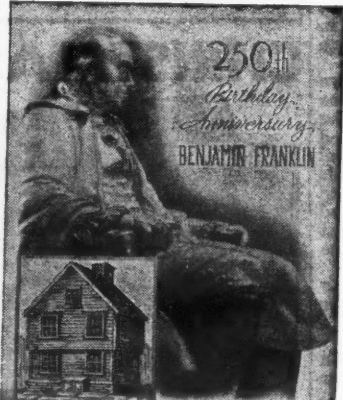
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worst looking stamps issued in
1955, and the one you consider had
the least cause to be issued.

First begun in 1948, it has now
reached the status where it is the
largest expression of philatelic
opinion of any kind, anywhere. The
number of people who have partici-
pated each year has grown con-
siderably until now it is up in the
thousands.

I started this feature after re-
ceiving many letters in which the
writers complained about the color
and designs of U. S. stamps. It
seemed that there would be no bet-
ter way to discover how the ma-
jority felt about our country's emis-
sions than to give them an oppor-
tunity to express their opinions.

The results of the voting have
been picked up each year by lead-
ing newspapers throughout the na-
tion, as well as the philatelic press
here and abroad. The Design
Derby is considered an authorita-
tive expression of stamp collector
likes and dislikes.

In the ballot which follows you
will find all the stamps released in
1955. The one you believe has the
best design (considering picture,
color and engraving) should have
an X marked beside it in the col-
umn marked "1st". Likewise for
your second and third choices they
being marked in the columns
headed "2nd" and "3rd" respec-
tively.

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1st 2nd 3rd

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your opinion was the worst looking
one of 1955. The stamp you believe
had the least reason to be issued
should come on the "Least Necess-
ary" line.

To make the selection easier, I'd
suggest mounting each of 1955's is-
sues separately on a piece of black
paper a little larger than the stamp
itself. You can put these before
you and eliminate those which have
the least design appeal until you
have but the one left, which would
then be best. Rate the others ac-
cordingly.

Participation by stamp clubs is
expected to be even heavier this
year than in the past. A lot of
them have the stamps mounted for
inspection by all at the meeting.
The members then vote and all the
ballots are sent in for tabulation.

It is asked that in voting by
groups that individual ballots be
sent to me and not the total results,
unless such results are tabulated
in an individual manner on a chart.

A number of clubs now keep
duplicates of the individual ballots.
The member whose selections are
the closest to the final results as
revealed in this paper, gets a
prize. Some clubs put up more
than one prize—quite substantial
ones, too.

I get many sets of ballots from
families where mother and dad and
the youngsters express their prefer-
ences by ballot. One need not be a
collector to have an opinion on the
artistic quality of United States
stamps.

There is a new item this time
and it was brought on by many
letters to me on the subject this
past year. People want sets of
commems in place of the constant
flow of 3-centers—they'd like other
denominations every once in a
while.

On the line marked "Would you
like a set of commems every once
in a while?" write either yes or
no. At "How large", give your
preference for the number of
stamps in such a set. At "De-
nominations" list the face value of
the individual stamps, and at "How
Often" tell how frequently you
would like a set.

Now understand that any set
would be for an important celebra-
tion and not issued just for the
heck of producing one.

Mark your ballots, clip from the
paper — or you can make a fac-
simile — and mail to me. You
can paste it on a card if you can
make it fit. Do this at once for
the task of counting and tabulating
is a time consuming one.

Address them to Carl P. Rueth,
Linn's Weekly Stamp News, Sid-
ney, Ohio.

1. On the Grand Coulee Dam
commem of 1952 are three words
which tell the benefits derived
from its erection. Name them.

2. Prominently in the design of
the B & O commem is the date
when the railroad was chartered.
What is it?

P. C. Wright of Louisa, Va. was
done wrong by the POD, not inten-
tionally, but nevertheless had his
plans upset. The Department had
decreed the closing of three Louisa
County post offices for November
30—Green Springs, Meltons and
Waldrup.

So Mr. Wright prepared a num-
ber of covers for last day cancella-
tion at each of the trio. He had
them postmarked shortly before
noon and autographed by the post-
masters.

At 1 p.m. the postmasters re-
ceived telegrams to the effect that
the November 30 closing order had
been rescinded until further notice.
So he has covers of a closing which
didn't come to pass, and so do

other collectors around the nation
who had sent theirs in for handling
on the last day.

Mr. Wright has since heard that
the local representative to the Vir-
ginia House of Delegates asked
Congressman Howard W. Smith to
intercede with the POD for relief
from the closing order.

Thanks to those of you who sent
in your Christmas greetings. It
was nice to be remembered, and
I do appreciate your thoughtfulness.

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Volume I of the "New World-wide Postage Stamp Catalogue" which will probably be much better known as the "Minkus" catalog has just been released and it looks as if the remarkable Jacques Minkus has another winner on his hands. With this volume and the others that are to follow, he joins the small illustrious circle of publishers whose catalogues cover the stamps of the entire world: Scott, Gibbons of England, Yvert-Tellier of France and Michel of Germany. (The Swiss Zumbstein also enjoys a very high reputation, but is limited to European issues only).

Setting out to compete with the Scott catalogue, now in its 112th edition, is about the equivalent of someone setting out today to establish a telephone network in competition with the Bell System. However, Mr. Minkus has done the seemingly impossible several times before.

The new catalogue, priced at \$4 is a handsome volume of 439 pages. It includes the issues of the United States & Possessions, the United Nations and the field which is the primary concern of this column, the British Commonwealth of Nations. As most collectors know, Scott's Volume I, for the same price, also covers the stamps of Latin America. What features, then, have the Minkus editors added to successfully compete with an old-established rival?

They have adopted some of the best features of the Gibbons and Michel and have added quite a few fine touches of their own. A number of recognized authorities have placed their knowledge at the editors' disposal and their impact is evident on almost every page.

The problem of watermarks, especially vexing in the British Empire field, has never before been handled in such a clear and convenient way.

The short historical vignettes introducing each country and colony are both interesting and educational. Each separate design is illustrated and fully described, which will be good news to the growing army of topical collectors. Where Scott shows only the overprint, the Minkus illustrates the entire stamp which often saves considerable time.

Many ambiguous color terms have been eliminated and a simplified nomenclature used. The strict chronological listing of all issues, whether airmail, postage due or what-have-you, may be simpler but as collectors are accustomed to separate such groups, this particular feature will take some time to get used to.

We are particularly pleased to see some ideas carried out which we had suggested in our "Market Reports":

- 1) A more thorough coverage of errors and varieties, always of great interest to specialists, which definitely makes the Minkus a "semi-specialized" catalogue;
- 2) Lengthy issues which are usually sold as sets have been added up and price totals for the full set, both mint and used, are also shown;
- 3) The precise day of issue is mentioned whenever possible; and
- 4) Countries which certainly do not care to be classified as component parts of the British Empire, such as Egypt, Ireland and Jordan have been omitted from this section and will be treated in a subsequent volume.

Now to the question which is undoubtedly uppermost in the mind of every British Empire collector: What about the Minkus quotations? The new catalogue obviously strives

for quotations that are fair to collectors and dealers alike. Collectors are well within their rights to demand that their dealer charge no more than the Minkus quotations, but on the other hand prices have been figured so carefully that collectors must not expect spectacular discounts. The dealer selling at Minkus prices is assured of a fair margin of profit. The careful shopper may be able to buy 10% or 20% "below Minkus" but, aside from current issues, larger discounts will be the exception rather than the rule.

Like Gibbons, the new Minkus prices the majority of obsolete modern British Empire issues slightly higher for used than for mint which is in line with the market but different from Scott's usual equal-price policy. Most Minkus quotations on British Empire material range from 60% to 100% of Scott's price level, with an occasional quotation even above Scott.

Generally speaking, the new Minkus catalogue has reached its goal of being a "net priced" catalogue with the exception of excessively high quotations on issues that are still current. Recent mint Queen Elizabeth pictorials are quoted at the rate of \$5.50 for the Pound while dealers generally charge no more than \$3.75 per Pound. However, on other British Empire material, the editors had their noses pretty close to the ground.

What will be the practical effect of the new arrival? We doubt that collectors will remount their albums or that dealers will rush to rearrange their stocks. For a number of years to come, Scott's numbers will continue to be in primary use with Minkus quotations added in advertisements whenever Scott is obviously too low.

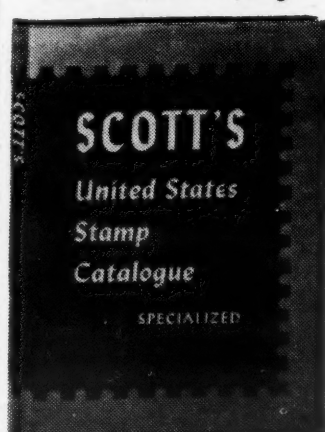
The Scott editors will be much more on their toes than in years past and the large-scale overhaul of prices which was started in the 1956 edition may be expected to continue. Just as New York City's famous department stores, Macy's and Gimbels', prosper side by side, so will the Scott and Minkus catalogues.

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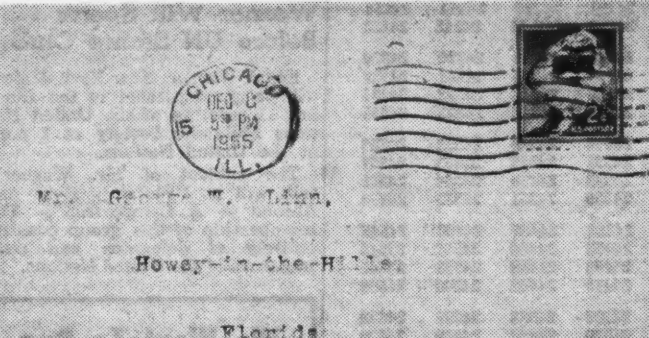
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News From The Italian Area

Pierson Ostrow

Current philatelic news from Italy ranges the years, from the ancient days of Caesar Augustus, Emperor of the Romans, by way of the Italian Renaissance and a possible saint, down to the ultimate minute and the glittering winter sports of a tiny Alpine village.

That Italy will issue a four-value set early in 1956 to mark the Winter Olympics at Cortina d'Ampezzo is already well known. Now it develops that San Marino, whose philatelic manifestations of the past several years have run heavily to Sports topicals, will also issue a set of ten values.

A 25c (one twenty-fifth of a cent!) addition to the star-water-marked Parcel Post reissues was placed on sale without formal notice, apparently either on July 31 or August 1. Others definitely scheduled but not yet on sale are: Coin designs (regular postage)—35c, 100L, 200L.

Airmail—25, 50, 300, 500 and 1000L.

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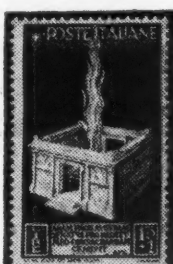
Parcel Post—50c, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 30, 50, 100, 200, 300, 500 and 1000L.

All the reissues were authorized by a series of Ministerial Decrees dated variously February 1, March 26, April 16 and July 2, 1955.



Turning back the album pages a bit will give added spice to several recent news items:

1921: Italy issues a three-value set in honor of Dante Alighieri, with a second, longer set following in 1932.



Today: Giovanni Papini, aging dean of Italian letters, leads a movement to canonize Dante as a saint of the Catholic Church. Papal officials refuse comment. Dante once consigned certain Popes to

Hell in his immortal "Comedia"! 1937: The 1.75L Augustan commemorative stamp depicts the ancient Roman "Ara Pacis" or Altar of Peace. Today it stands in a glass box where it was reassembled in 1930, along the Tiber. Unfortunately, traffic has increased considerably along the Lungotevere.

A proposed solution: move the Ara Pacis into the nearby tomb of its creator, Augustus Caesar, one-time Emperor of Rome, and permit the widening of the Lungotevere to accommodate more traffic!

Data On Recent UN Philately

The United Nations Postal Administration has released statistics of interest to those who collect UN stamps.

For the first day of issue on October 24 of the 10th anniversary sets of 3c, 4c and 8c stamps and the 15c souvenir sheet a total of 455,791 FDC's were handled. No break down as to denominations was given.

The additional printing of the UN souvenir sheet amounted to 50,000. These were placed on sale Sunday November 27 at the UN Building. The entire supply is exhausted.

A reprinting of the 2c UN regular supplies having been used up. The quantity was 800,000. Only difference claimed between the first lot released November 16, 1951 and the new is that the latter have no control numbers on the sheets.

Sold out is the 3c value of the Human Rights set of two issued December 10, 1954. An original printing amounted to one million copies.

The UN stamp program for 1956 comes to four different events—

February 17 — International Telecommunications Union, 3c and 8c.

April 9 — World Health Organization, 3c and 8c.

October 24 — United Nations Day, 3c and 8c.

December 10 — Human Rights Day, 3c and 8c.

New Edition Of Stamp Book Coming

The Post Office Department publication entitled "Postage Stamps of the United States" is being revised and brought up to date. The new edition will contain all issues of postage stamps from July 1, 1847 to December 31, 1955.

It is expected that it will be ready for distribution early in 1956. A further announcement will be made regarding the release date, as well as the selling price.

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NEW AND RECENT ISSUES — MINT
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Australia 285 Stamp Centenary	.06	726	Town's	.24				
Australia (new) Olympics (green)	.32	727	Stenay	.12				
Austria 599-603 Liberation	.50	728	Versailles	.12				
Austria 606-7 Theaters	.30	729	Villandry	.12				
Austria 608 U.N.	.17	730	Legion of Honor	.09				
Austria (new) Stamp Day (1)	.06	731	St. Cyr	.10				
Belgium 427-29 Rotary	.20	732	Metric System	.24				
Belgium 430-32 Flowers	.28	740	Duke of St. Simon	.10				
Belgium 433-35 Charles V	.25	741	Rotary Clubs	.20				
Belgium 438-39 Fossil Virgin	.12	753	15 F new design	.08				
Belgium 440-41 Liege	.08	757-62	Inventors	.65				
Belgium B573-8 Inventors	.50	763	Limoges	.09				
Belgium (new) Red Cross (7)	.80	764	Glove Making	.16				
Canada Prime Ministers (2)	.14	765	Florian	.09				
Denmark Kirkegaard (1)	.08	766	Television	.08				
Denmark 1945-46 Christmas	.20	767	Deportation Camps	.09				
Finland 327-8 Christianity	.24	768	Electric Railways	.09				
Finland Ship, Parliament Each	.14	769	Jacquemart-Mouline	.08				
Finland (new) Telegraph (3)	.28	770	Jules Verne	.16				
Finland B120-22 Animals	.40	771	Lumiere Bros.	.16				
Finland B126-28 Insects	.35	772	Jacques Coeur	.08				
Finland B129-31 Fish	.32	773	Canada (Ship)	.16				
Finland new Red Cross (3)	.32	774-5	6 & 12 F	.10				
Greece 574-81 new values	.85	776-82	Scenic Views (7)	.48				
Greece 582-5 Pythagoras	1.00	783	G. de Nerval	.06				
Grenada Q.E. 50c; \$1.50 (2)	1.00	784	Arms	.12				
Iraq Engineering (3)	.21	B284	Stamp Day	.12				
Israel Mogen David (1)	.14	B285-90	Famous Men	1.25				
Israel Tribes (4)	.18	B291-92	Red Cross	.24				
Johore Diamond Jubilee (1)	.06	B293	Stamp Day (Balloon)	.10				
Jugoslavia UN Anniv. (1)	.17	B294-99	Famous Men	1.00				
Kenya Q.E. 50c (1)	.10	(New) Red Cross (2)	.18					
Kenya Q.E. 100c (1)	.28	C29-32	Airplanes USED	1.25				
Liberty Rotary (3)	.60	C33	Maryse Bastie	.28				
Luxembourg 300-3 Flowers	.30	FRENCH COLONIES						
Luxembourg 306-9 UN	.50	Nigeria 228-31 Fruits	.50					
Luxembourg B180-5 Festivals	.65	242-48	Geological	.32				
Luxembourg new Christmas (6)	.65	249	Sahara Co.	.06				
Monaco 328 Auto Rally	.60	250-52	Doctors	.50				
Monaco 336-45, C45 J. Verne	1.75	253	Agriculture Cong.	.08				
Monaco 346-48 Marian Year	.16	259	St. Augustine	.08				
Monaco 349 Rotary	.16	260	Medical Congress	.08				
Netherlands Paintings (5)	.32	261	Tipasa	.25				
New Zealand Q. E. 6d (large)	.11	262	Rotary	.18				
New Zealand Southland Cent. (3)	.22	(New) 10 & 25F	.18					
New Zealand Health (3)	.15	B75-80	Earthquake	.10				
Nicaragua 100c (1)	.10	(New) War Welfare (1)	.10					
Norway 331-3 Railway	.30	Cameroon 323-25 Pictorials	.63					
Norway 334-6 Telegraph	.25	C31	Edea Dam	.18				
Norway 337-9 Stamp Cent.	.25	C33	Dr. Jamot	.16				
Norway 340-42 Norweg	.48	C34-36	Pictorials	3.35				
Norway new Jubilee (2)	.24	Comoro Is.	40-41 Mosques	.32				
Saar Plebsite (3)	.24	42	Fish	.40				
Saar Charity (3)	.24	C3	200F	1.85				
St. Helena Stamp Cent. (3)	.22	J3-5	Fish	.33				
Siam UN 1955 (1)	.04	Fr. Colonies Wild Life (4)	.32					
Spain St. Ignatius Loyola (3)	.18	Fr. Equatorial Africa 185, C35	Brass	.33				
Spain Telegraph (3)	.18	187	Cureau	.16				
Switzerland 347-50 Publicity	.38	C36	Archbishop	.18				
Switzerland 351-54 Publicity	.30	C39-41	Pictorials	3.35				
Switzerland 355 UN	.16	C42	Eboue	.16				
Switzerland (new) Pro. Juvenile (3)	.10	Fr. Morocco 309 Rotary	.30					
U. S. Africa Pretoria Centenary (2)	.18	310	Stamp Day	.10				
U. S. Africa A. Pretorius pair	.08	(New) Post & Air (2)	.58					
Vatican Nicholas V (3)	.32	Fr. West Africa 58 Laplene	.33					
GERMANY								
686	Roenigen	.25	59	Laboratory	.16			
687	Mona Lisa	.05	60	Cave Drawing	.25			
688	Otto Motor	.20	61	Gov. Ballay	.09			
689	Martin Luther	.08	64	Rotary	.18			
690	Heligoland	.14	C18-20	Pictorials	3.35			
691	Carl Schurz	.12	Macar. 287-9 Birds	.33				
692	Thurn & Taxis	.08	290-91	Lyautey	.15			
693	Reis	.20	Antarctic overprint	.50				
694	Accidents	.20	C58-60	Pictorials	3.45			
695	Leibniz	.20	New Caledonia 298-99 Centenary	.60				
696	Red Cross; 697 Prisoners each	.38	343-44	Fox	.25			
698-701	Transport Exp.	.38	346	Pictorial	.40			
723	Ehrlich & Behring	.08	Togo 328-29 Native Scene	.24				
724	Gutenberg	.04	C28	500 F	.09			
725	C. F. Gauss	.06	Tunisia 253-7 Pash	.45				
726	O. V. Miller	.05	258	Theater	.18			
727	Schiller	.18	259-63	Rotary	1.20			
728	Auto Post	.09	Wallis-Futuna (new) Pere Chanel (1)	.36				
729-30	Stuttgart Exp.	.10	Payable with order.					
731	Research	.09	Satisfaction Guaranteed.					
732	Battle; 733 Refugees Each.	.09	To start the New Year right—10% Dis-					
734	Timetable Congress	.09	count on all orders over \$3.00.					
735	Stifter; 736 UN Each	.05	Taylor W. Gannett					
736-23	Helps of Mankind	.58	908 N. Wayne St.					
B324	Madonna	.10	Arlington 1, Va.					
B325-6	Youth	.18	CARL DINNERSTEIN					
B327-30	Helpers of Mankind	.50	4226 Parkside, Phila 4.Pa.					
B334-37	Do	.48	2 Inch Mounting Corners100—75					
B338-41	Do	.48	Sleeves for 3 Ring Binder Pages15—1.00					
B342-43	Westrop's Phil. Exp.	.16	Pocket Block File—16 pockets25					
C61-64	Alps	.21	Cover File—16 pockets40					
9N84-93	Famous Men	.75	Clear Album Interleaving100—1.60					
9N99-100	June 19, 1953	.22	For Scott H. P. National - Junior -					
9N104	E. Reuter	.10	Global - 3 Ring Binder					
9N105	Mergenthaler	.08	Same Albums, Glassine Interleaves 100—65					
9N106	Election overprint	.10	FRANCE & FR. COLS.					
9N107	Liberation July 20, 1944	.09	Andorra-Monaco					
9N111	Richard Strauss	.19	Mint - Used - Covers					
9N112	Bordig Works	.09	1956 Price List. Every stamp sold in					
9N113-14	Ocean Liners	.16	mint, used. Many items at more than					
9N115	W. Furtwangler	.15	75% off Scott Essay Proof - Imperf.					
9N116-17	Berlin Arms	.15	EDMOND QUEYROY					
(New) Saints (3)	.23	55 West 42nd St. N. Y. C. 18, N. Y.						
ITALY								
637-38	NATO	.27	FREE-U.S. STAMPS					
641-46	Tourism	.48	U. S. 1945 BI Colored					
647-48	Loteran Pac	.27	Flag of Occupied Na-					
649-50	Television	.25	tions (as illustrated)					
652	Helicopter; 653 Resistance Each	.09	Airmails, Commemoratives, Regular					
655-56	Marco Polo	.25	Issues included in this collection of 25					
658-59	Interpol (St. Michael)	.25	selected all different, genuine U. S.					
660	Pinochio	.09	Stamps. PLUS VALUABLE U. S. 25c					
663-64	Marian Year	.25	STAMP. Everything for 10c to cover					
665-66	A. Vespucci	.24	mailing expenses. Approvals included.					
667	S. Pellico; 667 Taxpaying Ea.	.08	Act at once.					
668-83	Petroleum Congress	.24	WILEY CO., 141 E. Main St.					
684	Romani; 685 Medical Each	.08	Dept. 404, Mount Kisco, N. Y.					
(New) Assist; Instruction Each	.08	U.S. 19th CENTURY U.S.						
(New) Agriculture, FAO (2)	.24	1847 — USED — 1847						
(New) Grassi; Matteotti Each	.08	FOUR MARGINED COPIES OF BOTH THE						
(New) Fra Angelica (2)	.11	5c and 10c @ \$125.00						
FRANCE								
568-67	Peace Conference	.10	C. M. PHILLIPS					
572	UNESCO	.08	WEST LAKE BUCKEY DRIVE					
581-84	UPU Congress	.20	WINTER HAVEN, FLORIDA					
585	Pavie	.06	DO YOU HAVE 800 DIFF.					
586	Faneion; 587 Scouts Each.	.04	ARGENTINA?					
603	Chateaubriand	.05	something new in stamp merchandis-					
604	Leclerc	.05	ing! Collections of any Latin American					
605-6	UNO	.20	country mounted on Scott Specialty					
607	Genesiat Dam	.08	Album pages with each stamp priced					
611	Polar Exploration	.10	separately. Sleepers and hard to get					
621	St. Bernard Abbey	.09	material included.					
622	U. S. Friendship	.18	Usual 10 days approval —					
625-26	P.T.T.	.65	REFERENCES ESSENTIAL					
629	Racine	.08	Louis J. Horowitz					
630-33	Views	.65	Sunnyvale, California					
633	Chambers of Commerce	.10	FRANCE - MINT					
634-36	U.P.U.	.28	242	.10	358			
637	Poland	.10	290	.25	383			
638	Peguy	.10	330/1	.18	390			
639	Rabelais	.08	332	.10				
640	Chateaudun	.07						
641-42	Women	.20						
642	Fontainebleau	.09						
643	Jules Verne	.10						
644	Textiles	.18						
645	LaSalle; 647 Col. Troops Each	.10						
648	Vincent D'Indy	.18						
655-56	Doctors	.20						
657	St. Nicholas	.11						
658	Arbols	.15						
664	Paris	.10						
665	Nogues	.09						
666-68	Poets	.25						
669	Clemenceau	.10						
670	Clos de Vougeot	.10						
671-72	UNO	.30						
673-74	Views	.55						
675	de Latre	.10						
676	Gate of France	.08						
677	Narvik	.20						
678	Chambord	.13						
679	Council of Europe	.20						
680	Bir Hakelm	.20						
681	Poitiers	.10						
682	Leonardo da Vinci	.20						
683	Viaduct; 684 Medals Each	.10						
686	Laennee	.09						
688	Versailles	.12						
689	Fashions	.20						
689-91	Authors	.28	242	.10	358			
692	Bicycle Tour	.10	290	.25	383			
706	Surcharge	.10	330/1	.18	390			
711-15	Luxuries	1.45	332	.10				
716	Paris Fair	.10						
717	de Latre	.09						
718	Liberation	.10						
719-24	Scenic Views	.55						
725	Jumieges Abbey	.09						

**Magi At Crib Seen
On Puerto Rican Seal**

Christmas seals from the Union of South Africa are bi-lingual, English and Afrikaans, just like the nation's postage stamps. Seals of the same design are inscribed in both and arranged so tenant in the sheet.



In red and green they picture three bells and two holly leaves, the Cross of Lorraine and "Christmas Greetings".



The Tatham Stamp & Coin Co., Springfield, Mass. states that the seal from Puerto Rico reproduces a picture of the Visit of the Magi to the crib at Bethlehem. This is produced in several colors — it is one of the most picturesque of the 1955 issues of the world.

**Cachets For Delta
Flight Inaugurals**

Delta Air Lines has announced that first-flight cachets will be available to stamp collectors when Delta inaugurates service early next year from Charlotte, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York.

The Civil Aeronautics Board granted Delta 1075 miles of new routes in the Southwest-Northeast Additional Service Case, effective January 20, and plans are to begin service as soon after that date as the availability of satisfactory ground facilities will permit, according to C. E. Woolman, Delta's president and general manager.

The airline asks that collectors send airmail-stamped (6c), self-addressed envelopes to Delta Air Lines, Office of Information Services, Atlanta Airport, Atlanta, Ga., before January 15 to be assured of properly stamped covers. There is no limit to the number of envelopes Delta will service for each collector, but unless the sender specifies the desired postmark — whether Charlotte, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, or New York — all covers will be postmarked New York.

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